

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace current paragraph [0019] with the following new paragraph [0019].

[0019] The wireless network card in this example is attached to a notebook computer 26. The notebook computer 26 includes a wireless network card driver software 28. As described below, the wireless network card driver software checks the platform discrimination indicator to make sure that it is of a certain value which allows the wireless network card to transfer ~~for~~ data across the cellular network. If not, as described below, it will prompt the user to enter an upgrade code which the user can obtain to produce an upgrade for the wireless network card 20.

Please replace current paragraph [0022] with the following new paragraph [0022].

[0022] FIGS. 4A-4C illustrate the connection to a web page to obtain the notebook upgrade. In FIG. 4B, the user enters the electronic I.D. or serial number of the wireless network card, as well as indicating the wireless data source provider. In one example, it is requested that the user obtain an upgrade pass code from the carrier. This, along with the electronic I.D. code, allows the system to provide the ~~update~~ upgrade code permitting the notebook computer to allow cellular transmissions from the wireless network card with the source being the notebook computer.

Please replace current paragraph [0024] with the following new paragraph [0024].

[0024] If the cell service provider does charge more for an upgrade, in one example, in step 60, the user gets authorization from the cell service provider for a specific PAK and this pass code is provided. In step 62, the electronic I.D. is used to calculate the platform activation key, and the platform activation key is provided to ~~by~~ the user.